

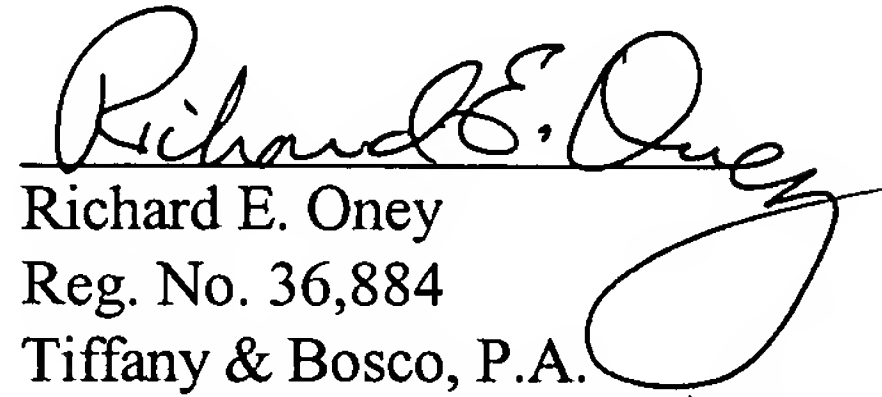
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**REMARKS**

The specification is amended to include a specific reference to the earlier filed PCT application.

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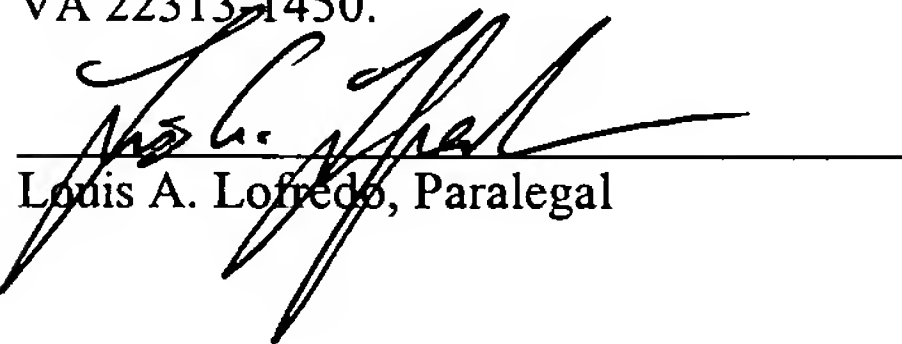
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